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It's Austria's move.

Theodore Roosevelt will say nothing about the Austrian proffer for a peace conference. What can he say, when President Wilson has said it all?

The Hindenburg line is an elastic thing, for it stretches now away down south-east of St. Quentin even to the Swiss border. The longer it stretches the thinner it gets.

Senator Lodge would have been short of a patriot had he not supported President Wilson wholeheartedly in the latter's position on the Austrian peace proposition.

As soon as the Germans are driven back into home soil they may be expected to abandon their policy of burning villages and cities which they cannot hold. Then they will trust to the civilized feelings of their adversaries to spare the German villages and cities.

Little old Vermont which was expected by the government to register 36,316 men in the extended draft actually presented 40,887. Despite the fact that Vermont has contributed many minors as well as those above the previous draft age to actual service in defense of the nation and despite the fact that thousands more have gone to other states to engage in essential war work, the state shows unmistakable signs of great vitality.

The action of the priorities board of the war industries board in ordering newspapers to go on the paid-in-advance policy is likely to cause a sensation in Vermont newspaperdom, where the policy of long-time credit has been almost universally in vogue. However, Vermont publishers can adjust themselves to the new requirement and subscribers must, if they desire to secure their newspapers. After Oct. 1, 1918, subscribers will be cut off after the expiration of their subscriptions if the order of the priorities board is carried out, as it is assumed it will be.

THE BUGLE GOES OUT OF VOGUE.

The elimination of the use of the bugle in engagements will have a tendency to remove one of the long established glories of battle. The blare of the bugle, giving out its orders, is always inspiring to a civilian and it no doubt acts in somewhat the same manner upon the soldier himself although it may become an old story to the seasoned campaigner. But while stirring the blood of the soldiers the bugle may be a dead give-away of the plans of maneuver, for the enemy soon learns the meaning of every call and can judge of the probable movement of the other side. In the present war when so many of the maneuvers have to be carried out in the night time the bugle becomes, of course, a source of hazard to the success of a maneuver and has to be eliminated entirely, while in the day time the foe can be quite well assured of the prospective movements through detecting the calls sounded on the bugle. The bugle removes much of the element of surprise in battle, and surprise is playing a great part in the conduct of the war. Therefore, the bugle must go and it will be replaced in the case of squads, detachments and companies by the use of the hand of the commanding officer, the code being carefully worked out by the high command and familiarized by the under-officers and soldiers. We shall regret the passing of the bugle in all its manifold uses but we nevertheless see the wisdom of substituting some other method of giving command in time of engagement.

THE QUESTIONNAIRES.

The Washington county local board announces that the questionnaires for the new registrants coming within the ages of 19 and 20 and 32 to 37, both inclusive, will be sent out at once for completion and return to the board. These questionnaires must be returned to the board within seven days from the time they were mailed from the office of the local board. No doubt all the registrants will require some assistance in filling out the questionnaires and for that purpose a legal advisory board has been constituted in this county, as well as in the other counties of the state. This legal advisory board serves without compensation from anyone, the services of its members being offered as a mark of patriotism. Manifestly, with several thousands of registrants in Washington county, this legal advisory board will be a hard worked body during the seven days from the time the questionnaires are mailed; and it will be almost impossible for the members of the legal advisory board to get this work done, to say nothing of carrying on their own legal practice, unless the registrants go to them prepared to give correct answers to the questions which may appear in the questionnaires. Therefore, it would be strongly advisable for each registrant to study his questionnaire thoroughly before going to some member of the legal advisory board for the completion of the same. Have your answers at your tongue's end, or, perhaps, set them down on some memo-

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random book so that you can give immediate response. It will be only in this way that the work can be completed in the time limit allowed by the law.

A FALSE INDICATION OF VOTING STRENGTH.

The proportion of Democratic votes to Republican in the recent Vermont primary for governor is not indicative of the proportion that will be counted at the election next November. Dr. W. B. Mayo of Northfield, the candidate for the Democratic nomination, received only 2,486 votes in the whole state of Vermont, while the three candidates for the Republican nomination polled a total of 32,585, or only approximately 10,000 votes less than were cast for the Republican nominee at the last biennial election in Vermont. This wide divergence between the votes for the Republican and the Democratic candidates is partly explained by the fact that Dr. Mayo was the only candidate for the Democratic nomination and, consequently, there was little incentive for the Democrats to get out, while, on the other hand, there had been quite a deal of campaigning in behalf of the three candidates for the Republican nomination. The Democrats were largely housed up for the day or had gone fishing or were engaged in something of particular interest to themselves; and they will come out in force at the forthcoming election. Two years ago Dr. Mayo received 15,780 votes for governor, against 43,265 for Graham. He probably will receive at least 20,000 votes next November and it would not be surprising to have him run even beyond that total. The present primary returns should not be considered as a basis for comparison of the relative strength of the two parties in Vermont nor of the results of the balloting in November.

MABEL SYRUP'S COLYUM

"To have a lively and not a stolid countenance."—Truth of Intermixture.

"The time has come to conquer or submit. For us there is but one choice. We have made it."—President Wilson.

"Berlin Proposes Peace Plan to Belgium."
 "Vienna Asks Parley Without Armistice."
 "Americans Gain 3 Miles on 33-Mile Front."

One headline answers two.

Ladies Please Come Prepared to Sew.

The fall has been well cleaned and fumigated. The old bedding has been installed. I am ready now to accommodate all who wish to patronize a clean county hotel. Ed. Pearson, proprietor.—Paris, Ark., item.

Yanks.

O'Leary, from Chicago, and a first-class fightin' man.
 Born in County Clare or Kerry, where the gentle art began;
 Sergeant Dennis P. O'Leary, from somewhere on Archie road,
 Dodgin' shells and smilin' powder while the battle ebbed and flowed.

And the captain says: "O'Leary, from your fightin' company
 Pick a dozen fightin' Yankees and come skirmishin' with me;
 Pick a dozen fightin' devils, and I know it's you who can."
 And O'Leary, he saluted like a first-class fightin' man.

O'Leary's eye was piercin' and O'Leary's voice was clear:
 "Dimitri Georgeopoulos!" And Dimitri answered "Here!"
 Then "Vladimir Slavinsky! Step three paces to the front,
 For we're wantin' you to join us in a little Helme hunt!"

"Garibaldi Ravelli!" Garibaldi was to share;
 And "Ole Axel Kettelson!" and "Thomas Scarp-the-Bear!"
 Who was Choctaw by inheritance, bred in the blood and bones,
 But set down in army records by the name of Thomas Jones.

"Van Winkle Schuyler Stuyvesant!" Van Winkle was a bud
 From the ancient tree of Stuyvesant and had it in his blood;
 "Don Miguel de Colombo!" Don Miguel's next kin
 Were across the Rio Grande when Don Miguel went in.

"Ulysses Grant O'Sheridan!" Ulysses' sire, you see,
 Had been at Appomattox near the famous apple tree;
 And "Patrick Michael Casey!" Patrick Michael, you can tell,
 Was a fightin' man by nature with three fightin' names as well.

"Joe Wheeler Lee!" And Joseph had a pair of fightin' eyes;
 And his granddad was a Johnny, as perhaps you might surmise;
 Then "Robert Bruce MacPherson!" And the Yankee squad was done
 With "Isaac Abie Cohen!" once a light-weight champion.

Then O'Leary paced 'em forward and, says he: "You Yanks, fall in!"
 And he marched 'em to the captain. "Let the skirmishin' begin."

"The Fighting Fourth Loan"

The campaign for the next Liberty Loan will open on September 28 and close on October 19, 1918.

Date of bonds will be October 24, 1918.

Rate of interest will be 4 1/4 per cent., payable April and October 15.

Regular government payments will be as follows:

WITH APPLICATION, 10 per cent.
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Payment in full may be made with application and on or before October 23, 1918. Denominations of the bonds will be \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1,000, \$5,000, \$10,000 coupon or registered.

Other details regarding taxation features, maturity and amount of loan have not yet been announced.

The conversion period of the First and Second Liberty Loan 4's expires on November 9, and we would urge those who have not converted to do so at once. All bonds of these issues which have been left with us for safe keeping have been converted.

This next Liberty Loan is the one big job which must have our supreme effort, and let us get at it with the same determination and speed which has marked the recent advance of our boys on the western front.

Fourth Liberty Loan Club

Our Fourth Liberty Loan Club will be open when the campaign starts, and we hope to have twice as many members as we had in the last club.

You may pay for your bonds in this club any way you wish, and your bonds will be delivered to you just as soon as payment is completed. We want at least 1,000 subscribers who will buy bonds at \$1 a week. Will you be one?

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Says he. "The Yanks are comin', and you beat 'em if you can!"
 And saluted like a soldier and a first-class fightin' man!—James W. Foley in the Saturday Evening Post.

Mud-spattering in the recent primary now is numbered among "the old unhappy, far-off things." Folks who were the bitterest in recrimination have had their perspective refitted. One enterprising young historian did not wait until after the verdict to admit that the Bennington candidate had some pretty broad loyal streaks in his make-up. The Jethro Bass of the Rutland railroad is no longer a nightmare and some of his most active opponents see the promise of a thoroughly business-like administration if he is elected. As for the judge, who looked over the hectic glare of Broadway and wrote "Where Vermont Comes In," he is accused of no more of literary plagiarism. Nature's Darling remains a poetic soul.

Why the Barber Sighed.

George Kinne does not have to go West to raise alfalfa. He has a fine crop ready for the third cutting.—West Charleston item.

The Reporter's Girl Must've Been to the Depot.

From reported actions of certain of our young girls and some older ones at the troop train last Sunday night—well, it is strange how defects are overlooked if covered with a khaki suit.—Newport item.

Parable.

I made the cross myself whose weight
 Was later laid on me.
 This thought is torture as I toil
 Up life's steep Calvary.

To think mine own hands drove the nails!

I sang a merry song.
 And chose the heaviest wood I had
 To build it firm and strong.

If I had guessed—if I had dreamed
 Its weight was meant for me,
 I should have made a lighter cross
 To bear up Calvary!

—Anne R. Aldrich.

The Yanks are going it on their own
 and don't you wish you knew whether
 any of those congressional parties are
 getting in the way and gumming up the
 plays over there? Remember the old
 couplet about the circus:

The elephant now goes round, the hand
 begins to play,
 You boys around the monkey's cage had
 better keep away.

Paul Might Do If They Can't Agree.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward P. Parrott have a little son, born Sept. 9.—South Hero item.

Dr. Watson Is Wanted in Derby This Week.

Great excitement in this place one night recently when Evelyn and Vernon Willey were returning home from the Center. While passing the hollow near Craig Wilcox' farm, someone fired a shot, passing so close to Miss Wilcox' head

that it deafened her. The shot was fired from the bed of the brook. Craig Wilcox was there one-half hour before to look after a turkey nest and heard rustling in the bushes. No one has any idea who fired the shot or the reason for it.—Derby item.

Danceuse Duped Violinist.—Headline.

Those who dance must play the fiddler.

WILLIAMSTOWN

Born in Roxbury, Sept. 10, at the home of G. F. Wardner, a son, Robert Wardner, to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gale, formerly of this town and now of New Haven, Conn.

Horace H. Lasell, who has been at home for a few days on a vacation, returned on the afternoon of the 15th to Springfield, where he has been at work for several months. His brothers, William and Francis, returned with him and found work the next morning.

Miss Myrtle B. Seaver is at home on a 15 days' leave from her duties as clerk in the quartermaster's department, Washington, D. C.

Edward Smith of New Haven is visiting at Van D. McAllister's. Mr. Smith was for several years in the meat business in town and a part of the time a member of the firm of Smith & Seaver.

Miss Mabel Lasell took the night train at Northfield the 16th, on her return trip to Washington, D. C., where she is an employee of the war department.

Ed. E. Gushes, one of the section men in the employ of the C. V. R. R., was called to his home in Braintree recently by news of the serious illness of his wife with pneumonia.

The next meeting of the Rural Good Luck club is to be with Mrs. W. H. Hebard next Saturday, Sept. 21. Work for the Red Cross.

Warren Waldo was in Montpelier the 17th to see Principal Hatch of the seminary in regard to returning to school this fall.

Mrs. W. H. Lougee, Mrs. L. Marshall Jackson and daughters, Lora and Katherine, and Mr. and Mrs. George E. Wilber were in Morrisville last Saturday.

going via Waterbury and Stowe and returning via Hardwick, Woodbury, East Calais and Barre. A brief stop was made in Morrisville at the home of W. D. Smith and family, friends and neighbors of L. M. Jackson's when he lived in Waterbury. Picnic dinner was eaten near Lake Lanouille, a little way from the village of Morrisville.

At a family gathering at George Dillingham's in Northfield on the 15th, there were present, Mrs. Ada Lasell, her four sons, Harry, William, Horace and Francis; two daughters, Mildred and Mabel, also Mrs. Henry Lasell and three children, Harry J., Harvey and Lena. The family circle was complete with the exception of the oldest daughter, Marion, and her husband, J. Orville Walbridge, and son, Lawrence James.

Remember the opening of the campaign for the fighting fourth Liberty loan on Sept. 28. Make your plans to buy a bond and buy just as large one as you can. Every dollar helps in the winning of the war.

During a trip to Springfield and return the first of the week, which included 19 different towns in Washington, Orange and Windsor counties, your correspondent looked long and in vain for the field of corn and pumpkins, so familiar to every Vermonters. There was corn in plenty, all frost bitten and mostly good only for the silo, but the yellow of the pumpkin was seen but a few times in the 150 miles and over. Apples, though, were quite plenty in the towns of Windsor county, especially on the hill road between Springfield and Acuteville.

Social dance at grange hall, Williamstown, Friday evening, Sept. 20; 75c per couple. Refreshments extra. McDermott's orchestra.—adv.

GRANTEEVILLE

A special meeting of Q. W. I. U. of N. A., branch No. 12, in Miles' hall, Graniteville, Thursday evening, Sept. 19, at 7:30. Reports of the conference committee. Large attendance required.

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